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1. BESS: Not much, Mary. Except what I did this morning. I've
2. learned there are forces out in the mountains that are better
3. cures than anything else.

4. MARY: Just what did you do, Mrs. Robbins?

5. BESS: Well, I packed some food and after breakfast I told Jim
6. and Jerry to saddle their horses and not come back here for
7. two days. I told them I had some special cleaning to do and
8. didn't want them around - getting in my way.

9. MARY: (LAUGHING) How did they take to that...being ordered out
10. like that? Didn't they protest at all?

11. BESS: Jerry seemed a bit startled. I think he expected Jim would
12. say something, but Jim realized I knew that he wanted to get
13. away for awhile, and his eyes wrinkled a little at the corners
14. but he didn't say anything.

15. MARY: Poor Jerry. Have you any idea where they'll go?

16. BESS: I knew they had a few things to 'tend to...A small timer
17. sale and the like. And then I think Jim will go on to Wagon
18. Canyon.

19. MARY: Wagon Canyon?

20. BESS: Yes, Mary. There's a little spot near Wagon Canyon that's
21. very dear to Jim. That's where he usually goes when he
22. feels like he did this morning. It's the best tonic in the
23. world for him. And whenever he comes back from Wagon Canyon
24. he's the real Jim again, his bright, cheerful self.

25. MARY: Will he take Jerry with him, do you think?

1. BESS: I hope so, Mary. It would help Jerry to understand Jim
2. better. (FADE) Yes, I hope he does take Jerry along to
3. Wagon Canyon.

4. MUSIC UP AND OUT

5. SOUND OF HOOFBEATS-AT-WALK SUSTAIN

6. JERRY: Doggonit, Jim. What's the matter with you any way? I
7. thought you were goin' to chew MacDonald's head off back
8. there. I bet he thought so, too.

9. JIM: (GROUCHILY) Well, he had it comin' to him.

10. JERRY: Yeah but that's not a bit like you. All the poor fellow
11. did was leave a coupla high stumps.

12. JIM: If he'd read the timber sale agreement he'd have kept his
13. stumps low. And besides, he's cut national forest timber
14. before.

15. JERRY: All right, Jim. All right! I'm sorry I mentioned it. I
16. don't believe I've ever seen you so grouchy and grumpy before.

17. JIM: I...I'm sorry, Jerry. I guess I could have been a little
18. easier on Mac...Yeah, I should've been. I've been pretty
19. hard to live with today, huh?

20. JERRY: Oh, it isn't that, Jim. I don't mind for myself. It's just
21. that you don't seem like yourself today, that's all. What's
22. eatin' you?

23. JIM: Nothin' I can put in words, Jerry. I'll get over it.

24. JERRY: Say, where are we headin' for? Wagon Canyon, Jim?

25. JIM: Uh huh.

I hope so, Henry. It would help Henry to understand the
better. (Henry) Well, I hope he does take Henry along to

WIND UP AND GO

Thank-you, time. I don't see Henry with you any more. I
thought you were still, to show Henry's hand out here
where. I don't see Henry any more.

(Henry) Well, as far as Henry is concerned, to him,
that's not Henry's but I don't see him. Well, see how Henry
and Henry, Henry's right, Henry.

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1. JIM: Uh huh.

2. JERRY: Why, Jim? Is there something we've got to attend to in
3. Wagon Canyon?

4. JIM: No, not especially.

5. JERRY: Then why...?

6. JIM: No good reason, Jerry. Except there's something there I
7. want you to see. And besides, we can easily work out of
8. Wagon Canyon tomorrow morning.

9. JERRY: O.K. Jim...Well, there's the trail down to the canyon,
10. just ahead there.

11. JIM: We're not goin' down into the canyon, Jerry.

12. JERRY: Not goin' into the canyon? Hey, we can't stay up here on
13. the rim tonight, Jim. We'll freeze!

14. JIM: I don't believe we will, Jerry....H..m...m, here we are.
15. We go this way. (SOUND OF HOOFBEATS SPEEDING UP) Easy,
16. Dolly. Whoa, girl! (UP) Comin', Jerry?

17. SOUND OF HOOFBEATS IN GALLOP

18. JERRY: (CALLS) Hey, take it easy, Jim. What's the rush?...Easy,
19. Spark, easy! (SOUND OF HOOFBEATS SLOWING TO A WALK - SUSTAIN)
20. This looks like an old wagon road, Jim. I've never been this
21. way before.

22. JIM: It is an old wagon road. Not many folke know about it...Not
23. now.

24. JERRY: But what's it doin' way up here? Where does it go?

25. JIM: You'll see in a minute. Just around this little bend, now and, —
there we are.

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1. SOUND OF HOOFBEATS OUT

2. JERRY: Say, it's an old house place!

3. JIM: Yep.

4. JERRY: By gosh, what a swell location. Just look at that sun beating
5. against the wall of the canyon! And it's not a bit cold...
6. Who do you s'pose use to live here?

7. JIM: (CHUCKLING) Glad you like this old place, Jerry. I'll
8. tell you about it pretty soon.

9. JERRY: Gosh, it's good to hear you laugh again, Jim. If this
10. place does that for a fellow, I'm sure for it. Here.
11. I'll take care of the horses. (SADDLES CREAK: HOOFBEATS
12. START UP AND FADE OFF) (OFF) I'll stake 'em over here,
13. Jim...Here's a good place to camp.

14. JIM: That'll be all right, Jerry. (SIGNS AS TO HIMSELF) Well,
15. it's good to get back here again.

16. JERRY: (CALLING OFF) Jim! Hey Jim! Come here a minute.

17. JIM: Comin' Jerry...What...?

18. JERRY: Look here, Jim. This cottonwood tree...See? It's a
19. horseshoe. An old horseshoe...Someone must've put it on
20. this branch here and it's all grown over. Stuck tight as
21. a drum, see? I can't budge it.

22. JIM: That horseshoe's been there a long time, Jerry. Each
23. year the tree seals it a little tighter. It's just Nature
24. comin' back into its own.

25.

1. JERRY: That's the way this whole place strikes me...This must've
2. been the edge of an old field. The cottonwoods and a few
3. firs are takin' over. It won't be long 'fore this'll be all
4. forest again, huh Jim?

5. JIM: (MUSING) Yes, that's the way he said it would be. The forest
6. will never die.

7. JERRY: Who, Jim?....Who said that?

8. JIM: The man who came up here about fifty years ago. The man who
9. built his little home here in the wilderness...with his own
10. two hands. It was his wagon that first broke trail up here.

11. JERRY: You know the history of this place, Jim?

12. JIM: As well as anyone, I guess.

13. JERRY: Well, gosh, don't keep a fellow waitin', will yuh? Tell
14. me about it.

15. JIM: Let's get a fire going first, Jerry. (FADE) It's a long
16. story.

17. PAUSE

18. SOUND OF CRACKLING FIRE FADING IN

19. JERRY: Boy! This fire sure feels good...Go on, Jim, tell me the
20. rest of the story. This fellow was a real pioneer, wasn't he?

21. JIM: Yes, he was a pioneer, all right. His wife, too. It was not
22. easy, Jerry, making a home for themselves up here in the
23. mountains. But, like all the early American pioneers they
24. had the will and determination. They made it.

25.

There's the way to a whole lot of trouble and a lot of pain. The edge of an old field. The cottonwoods and a few other trees are leaning over. It won't be long before they'll be gone.

(Singing) Now, there's a lot of trouble in the world but...

Will never die.

Now, there's a lot of trouble in the world but...

The men who are in the world are the men who are in the world.

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1. JERRY: But Jim, why did they ever pick this place? Oh, it's a
2. beautiful spot, all right, but it's so far from everything.
3. JIM: That's why they picked it. You've got to remember they were
4. both sensitive people...and yet, they were strong and
5. courageous and their love of nature was a...well...a
6. sacred thing. They found this place. It appealed to
7. them so they stayed.
8. JERRY: I don't see how they could have made much of a living up
9. here.
10. JIM: They had enough, Jerry. A little patch in cultivation,
11. plenty of fish and game. I think their life was very full
12. and happy. It doesn't take much. Not when people are
13. sincere and unselfish. Like they were.
14. JERRY: Tell me some more about the man, Jim. What he was really
15. like.
16. JIM: Everything a man of nature could be. His strength was that
17. of the forest itself. He was tall...sparkling blue eyes and
18. a regular mane of blonde hair. He wore a long beard, too,
19. a beard of gold, the Indians used to say.
20. JERRY: I'd like to have known him.
21. JIM: He was worth knowing. Oh, he wasn't what you'd call an
22. educated man. But his mind was as powerful as his body, and
23. at heart and in his actions, he was a real man of the forest.
24. He was a dreamer, too.
25. JERRY: A dreamer?

1. JIM: Yes, Jerry. A dreamer and a visionary. He foresaw, way back
2. then, how this country would grow up. He knew what the cost
3. would be in terms of our natural resources. He used to talk
4. about it, to his friends. And even though he lived and
5. labored here on this little place his thoughts were of the
6. future of America, of all America. His concern was always
7. for true conservation of our resources. And he inspired all
8. the folks who knew him, in the same way.

9. JERRY: He must've been ahead of his time in a lot of ways.

10. JIM: Yes, he was, Jerry. Each generation has some who look
11. ahead to the future, thank God! Folks who see beyond their
12. immediate narrow interests. It's that sort of folks
13. who have made conservation possible...You and I are working
14. to bring to reality their vision of proper use of our
15. resources.

16. JERRY: What happened to him, Jim? His work, and his plans, and his
17. dreams?

18. JIM: Well, he died, Jerry...Like all men do, some time...Yes,
19. he died. But he's really still here. To me at least..The
20. forest will finally take over here. And that old stone
21. chimney over there will finally fall down, I reckon. But as
22. long as I live, he'll still be here.

23. JERRY: (SOFTLY) Did you know him, Jim? I mean you yourself?

24. JIM: Know him? Yes, Jerry, I knew him...He was my grandfather!

25. MUSIC: FINALE

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